SWARTZ CREEK AREA FIRE BOARD

SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

Michigan Deptartment of Treasury 496 (2-04) Auditing Procedures Report

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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors Swartz Creek Area Fire Board

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities of Swartz Creek Area Fire Board, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005. These financials statements are the responsibility of the Board's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Governmental Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of Swartz Creek Area Fire Board as of December 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February 23, 2006, on our consideration of the Swartz Creek Area Fire Board's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing and not provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages II-III and 9 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquires of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Swartz Creek Area Fire Board's basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplementary information, as identified, in the table of contents is presented for purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The other supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

February 23, 2006

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Swartz Creek Area Fire Board Management Discussion and Analysis For the Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

As management of the Swartz Creek Area Fire Board, we offer readers of the Swartz Creek Area Fire Board's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Swartz Creek Area Fire Board for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Swartz Creek Area Fire Board's basic financial statements. The Board's basic financial statements are comprised of the statement of net assets, statement of activities, governmental funds balance sheet & statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance and notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary and additional information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of the Board's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent calendar year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenditures are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods.

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the governmental fund financial statements.

Financial Highlights

The government-wide financial analysis focuses on the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities. The total assets of the Board are \$ 188,075 of which \$ 15,490 represents cash and cash equivalents. The liabilities are \$ 19,129, which represents amounts due to vendors, leaving current net assets of \$ 168,946.

Net assets decreased \$ 20,063 for the Board as a result of \$ 302,946 in the fire protection expenses which are offset by general revenues of \$ 297,138. The Board also reimbursed the Municipalities for prior year's surplus. This figure was \$ 14,255.

Net assets invested in capital assets amount to \$158,829 leaving unrestricted net assets of \$1,091 and restricted net assets of \$9,026, which represents the excess of current year revenues over expenditures. This excess is to be reimbursed to the City of Swartz Creek and Clayton Township.

Capital assets include total assets of \$1,320,335. These assets are depreciated over various lives based on the type of asset. Accumulated depreciation to date is \$1,161,506. Should the Board ever disband the capital assets are to be allocated based on contributions made by each participating unit for specific years.

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

Contacting the Board's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens and taxpayers with a general overview of the Board's finances. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Business Office, Swartz Creek Area Fire Board.

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2005 and 2004

		Governmen	ital Ac	
		 2005		2004
CURRENT ASSETS	<u>Assets</u>		_	
Cash and Cash Equivalents		\$ 15,490	\$	21,350
Due From Other Governmental Units		9,848		2,961
Prepaid Insurance		 3,908	_	4,113
Total Current Assets		\$ 29,246	\$	28,424
NON-CURRENT ASSETS				
Capital Assets		1,320,335		1,276,894
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		 (1,161,506)		(1,103,230)
Total Noncurrent Assets		\$ 158,829	\$	173,664
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 188,075	\$	202,088
	LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable		15,768		13,079
Payroll Liabilities		 3,361		_
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$ 19,129	\$	13,079
	NET ACCETS			
	NET ASSETS			
NET ASSETS				
Invested in Capital Assets		158,829		173,664
Restricted for Subsequent Expenditures		9,026		14,255
Unrestricted		 1,091		1,090
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TOTAL NET ASSETS		\$ 168,946	\$	189,009

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board Statement of Activities

December 31, 2005 and 2004

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS Governmental Activities:	_ <u>E</u>	xpenses	Charg	rogram es For vices	Grant	es rating is and otutions	 Net (Expense Change in 2005	
Public Safety	\$	302,946	\$	-	\$	-	\$ (302,946)	\$ (321,108)
General Revenues:								
Property Taxes							293,666	270,661
Investment Earnings							1,449	558
Miscellaneous							24	3
Sale of Fixed Assets							 1,999	1,698
Total General Revenues a							\$ 297,138	\$ 272,920
Reimbursements to Mun	icipalit	ies						
for prior year's surplus							\$ (14,255)	\$ (11,174)
Change in Net Assets							\$ (20,063)	\$ (59,362)
Net Assets - Beginn	ing - A	s Restated					 189,009	 248,371
Net Assets - Ending							\$ 168,946	\$ 189,009

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds December 31, 2005

<u>ASSETS</u>	Op Ma	Total Governmental Funds			
Cash and Cash Equivalents Due from Other Governmental Units	\$	15,490	\$	15,490	
Clayton Township		6,137		6,137	
Swartz Creek		3,711		3,711	
Prepaid Insurance		3,908	 	3,908	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	29,246	\$	29,246	
LIABILITIES Accounts Payable	•	45 700		4	
Payroll Liabilities	\$	15,768	\$	15,768	
Total Liabilities	\$	3,361 19,129	\$	3,361	
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FUND BALANCES Postricted for Subsequent Expanditures		0.000			
Restricted for Subsequent Expenditures Unreserved		9,026		9,026	
Total Fund Balances	\$	1,091	<u> </u>	1,091	
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TOTAL LIABILITES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	29,246	\$	29,246	

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances To Net Assets of Governmental Activities December 31, 2005

Total Governmental Fund Balances:	\$ 10,117
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds. The cost of the assets is \$ 1,320,335 and the accumulated depreciation is \$ 1,161,506.	459 900
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TOTAL NET ASSETS GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

168,946

158,829

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Operation & Maintenance Fund			Total Governmental Funds		
REVENUES Contributions From Local Units Earnings on Investments and Deposits Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets Other Income Total Revenues	\$	293,666 1,449 1,999 24 297,138	\$	293,666 1,449 1,999 24 297,138		
EXPENDITURES Operation and Maintenance Vehicle Maintenance Capital Outlay Total Expenditures Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>\$</u>	240,230 16,275 31,607 288,112 9,026	\$	240,230 16,275 31,607 288,112 9,026		
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues	\$	15,346	\$	15,346		
Over (Under) Expenditures Reimbursements to Municipalities for prior year's surplus		9,026		9,026		
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$	10,117	\$	10,117		

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board

Reconciliation of The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds To The Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds	\$ (5,229)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeded capital outlay	
in the current period.	 (14,834)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ (20,063)

1) DESCRIPTION OF FIRE AUTHORITY OPERATIONS

The Swartz Creek Area Fire Board has been organized as a joint venture of the City of Swartz Creek and the Township of Clayton in Genesee County, Michigan. The organizational agreement provides for a joint exercise of power and the establishment of a separate administrative entity. Members of the Fire Board are appointed by the City and Township. The participating governmental units provide revenue to the department on the basis of fire runs.

The City of Swartz Creek and Township of Clayton each have an undivided one-half interest in the assets of the Fire Board. The City and Township have also provided the Fire Board with the use of several vehicles. Title to these vehicles remains with the contributing unit of government.

2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of Swartz Creek Fire Board conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental entities. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies:

In June 1999 the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments. Some of the significant changes in the Statement include the following:

A Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section to provide an analysis of the Board's overall financial position and results of operations.

Financial statements prepared with full accrual accounting for all of the Board's activities.

• A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements and notes to the financial statements.

A) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – GOVERNMENT – WIDE STATEMENTS

The Board's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Board as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Board's major funds). The government-wide financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. All of the Board's activities are classified as governmental activities.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, the governmental activities column is presented on a consolidated basis and is reported on a full-accrual economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables. The Board's net assets are reported in three parts: invested in capital assets; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Board's functions. General government revenues also support the functions. The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the functions. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary grants. The net costs by function are normally covered by general revenue (property taxes, state and federal sources, interest income, etc.)

3) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

B) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accounts of the Board are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

General Fund - Operation & Maintenance Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Board. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

C) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING/MEASUREMENT FOCUS

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

ACCRUAL

Governmental activity in the government-wide financial statements is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

MODIFIED ACCRUAL

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within 60 days of year end. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred.

Those revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, interest revenue, grants and charges for services. Other revenue is recorded when received.

D) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Board considers highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Investments are reported at fair value which is determined using selected bases. Short-term investments are reported at cost, which approximates fair value. Securities traded on a national exchange are valued at the last reported sales price and investments that do not have an established market are reported at estimated fair value. Cash deposits are reported at carrying amount which reasonably estimates fair value.

2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (CONTINUED)

E) <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net assets but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year.

All reported capital assets are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description Equipment Governmental Activities

<u>Estimated Lives</u>
5 – 10 years

F) NET ASSETS

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Board or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

G) <u>ESTIMATES</u>

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

3) <u>DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS</u>

Deposits are carried at cost. Deposits of the Fire Board are at one bank in the name of Swartz Creek Area Fire Department. Michigan Compilied Laws (MCL), Section 129.91, authorized a local unit to deposit and invest in the accounts of Federally insured banks, credit unions and savings and loan associations; bond securities, and other obligations of the United States, or an agency or instrumentality of the United States in which the principal and interest is fully guaranteed by the United States, including securities issued or guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association; United States government or Federal agency obligation repurchase agreement; bankers' acceptance of United States banks; mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan; and commercial paper rated by two standard rating agencies within the three highest classifications, which matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase, and which involves no more than 50 percent of any one fund. Michigan law prohibits security in the form of collateral, surety bonds, or other forms for the deposit of public money. Attorney General's Opinion No. 6168 states that public funds may not be deposited in financial institutions located in states other than Michigan.

At December 31, 2005, the carrying amount of the Board's deposits was \$ 15,490 and the bank balance was \$ 18,533, all of which was covered by federal depository insurance.

4) <u>DUE FROM OTHER UNITS OF GOVERNMENT</u>

As of December 31, 2005, the Fire Board had amounts due from other units of government as follows:

Clayton Township \$ 6,137 City of Swartz Creek 3,711 \$ 9,848

5) <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, was as follows:

		Balance inuary 1, 2005	A	dditions	 Deletions	Balance December 31, 2005		
Machinery and								
Equipment	\$	473,762	\$	30,097	\$ (18,443)	\$	485,416	
Vehicles		759,959		-	-		759,959	
Office equipment		43,173		500	(1,795)		41,878	
800 MHZ equipment		-		33,082	-		33,082	
Less: Accumulated								
Depreciation	(1,103,230)		(73,685)	15,409	(1,161,506)	
	\$	173,664	\$	(10,005)	\$ (4,829)	\$	158,829	

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Public Safety \$ 73,685

6) <u>CONTINGENCIES</u>

In the ordinary course of business, the Board is involved in various pending or threatened legal actions. The Board believes that any ultimate liability arising from these actions will not have a material adverse effect on its financial position.

REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual

Operation & Maintenance Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Budgeted Amounts							
	Original		Final		Actual		Variance With Final Budget	
REVENUES	\$	278,202	\$	278,202	\$	297,138	\$	18,936
EXPENDITURES Operation and Maintenance Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures		278,202	\$	278,202 -	\$	288,112 9,026	\$	(9,910) 9,026
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING						15,346		
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures						9,026		
Reimbursements to Municipalities for for prior year's surplus						(14,255)		
FUND BALANCE - ENDING					\$	10,117		

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Swartz Creek Area Fire Board

Operation & Maintenance Fund Schedule of Expenditures

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	
Operation & Maintenance	
Salaries - staff	\$ 52,645
Salaries - officers	13,653
Salaries - firefighters	81,617
Deferred compensation	3,478
Payroll taxes	11,273
Medical expense	5,003
Office supplies	2,669
Building supplies	811
Communications and alarms	3,433
Equipment supplies	7,818
Contract services	6,425
80th Anniversary	1,287
Insurance	26,449
Utilities	11,242
Equipment maintenance	16,275
Equipment	31,607
Education and training	 12,427
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 288,112

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Swartz Creek Area Fire Board

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund, of Swartz Creek Area Fire Board, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 23, 2006. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Swartz Creek Area Fire Board's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all maters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Swartz Creek Area Fire Board's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, City Council, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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February 23, 2006

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February 23, 2006

Board of Directors Swartz Creek Area Fire Board Swartz Creek, Michigan

Board of Directors:

We have completed the audit of the financial statements presented for the year ended December 31, 2005. There were no difficulties encountered during the course of completing the audit. Our firm would like to thank Chief Cole, Kim Borse and the staff for their cooperation in the completion of this engagement. We look forward to the continuing opportunity to assist the Swartz Creek Area Fire Board in any manner deemed necessary.

Sincerely.

Robert C. Noye II, CPA